

ill sell and hope to replenish later. They should be afforded reasonable protection from their own foolhardiness. Export should therefore be controlled. Smuggling from Debba and elsewhere can perhaps be discouraged by a system of price control, or by police patrols.

L.W.B.

13/1/42.

Sent to W.F.C. in Fazlîn letter dated 13/1/42

Supply as a preliminary statement subject

to further check & examination letter. Q. 15/1/42

As a result of special survey the 1941-42

wheat crop is estimated as :-

PDS & Sarcies 4260 tons (27,695 arshees)

G.P.S. 800 tons

Total say, 5000 tons.

L.W.B.

4/3/42.



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Khartum
12/1/42

Dear Lawrence

Christine has forgiven me, n
attached. I hope you & Doreen like
Merowe Manor & are settled in

My regards to Mustafa Nada. I hope
Doreen will help the girls' school.

I want to thank you for your good
companionship & work while in this
office, & esp. over Local Govt. & the
Administrative School. You can now
put your principles into practice!

It's a pity Merowe has no M.A.
lawyer like Zobri. Titterington's distict
notes are a bit abusive of the local
citizens, but his stomach was darkening
his outlook latterly, & they can't be
guilty as spineless & unreliable as he
made out.

God save you from Low Niles & Normatt
The best of luck to you both yours ever
797/4/5 Douglas Newbold

(f)

(g) this will refine diamond oil.

(i) what A.R.P. will be available?

(ii) does this last 5 weeks ~

long art price of 13,000 arabs

(iii) what is the minimum unit being

and followed by the other 1 arab,

half arabs, half a kriat?

(iv) stations ^{Government} ~~Government~~ to cultivate

near by Kuluwad, Selim, Nadi, Maday

Qaled, Qata, Della, Kulu, Quni,

Nuri. These are no longer working

in Darfur except at Dingle (Selim).

(v) Dates on which they will be open

will have to be widely & clearly

published. How long will it

take to work 1500 arabs differently

at each station?

(g) When is it to be stored? this

will affect S.R. transport. How

much can S.R. handle (with venturing)

in 3 weeks Derry - Airport?

if so what time will be convenient?

when initial air force.

(h) Are we to have before June:

1900 tons seeking

"Specials" cargo if available

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(o) This sample affords 5
fibres.

(i) This will delay members from
leaving & encourage the
existing forces.

(f) Return date? availability of similar
for other countries or not this
year?

(j) This is the Qureshi file. +
Can do no more than encourage
the undercut brought about

about

so far more than would let that

start relations in Kampala, B.N.P. etc.

(k) At present 2 Kenyans 150 tons
cheed class. This will have
been shipped.

(l) Yes, it is not popular in itself.

(m) What does this mean? Israel
destroy the plant of what +
encourage the import of ours.

(n) In what? The A.R.P. here has
Sleemos. Transit depends on
what S.R. can manage.

n(2) This should be included in
M/Desire. There is no conflict at
Kenne. So it is a bit unnecessary.
But it would certain provide information
if tourists were advised. 797/4/25



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WHEAT.

1. Estimated crop. 1947-8.

Tons.

650	G.P.S.
800	P.P.S.
<u>2000</u>	Sagiss
<u>3650</u>	<u>Total.</u>

2. Estimated feddanage.

1960	G.P.S.
2000	P.P.S.
<u>7000</u>	Sagiss.
<u>10,360</u>	<u>Total.</u>

3. Estimated minimum seed required to be saved at
12 kirats a feddan.

<u>Ardebs.</u>	<u>Tons.</u>
680	= '90 G.P.S.
1000	= '134 P.P.S.
<u>3500</u>	<u>'466 Sagiss.</u>
<u>5180</u>	<u>'690 Total.</u>

L.H.

22:2:42.

Import & export of cereals.

	<u>Tons imported</u>	<u>Tons exported</u>	
1938	2769	16	
1939	2384	19	
1940	3965	27	
1941	3941	35	

add the unknown
Prantilla later
for Double acre 5
Khaloo - Suhish.



WHEAT.

I. Estimated crop. 1941-2.

<u>Tons.</u>	
850	G.P.S.
800	P.P.S.
<u>2000</u>	Sagias
<u>3650</u>	<u>Total.</u>

2. Estimated feedenage.

1360	G.P.S.
2000	P.P.S.
<u>7000</u>	Sagias.
<u>10,360</u>	<u>Total.</u>

3. Estimated minimum seed required to be saved at
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680	=	'90 G.P.S.
1000	=	'134 P.P.S.
<u>3500</u>	=	'466 Sagias.
<u>5180</u>	=	'690 <u>Total.</u>

22:2:42.

Import & export of Cereals.

1938	<u>Tons imported</u>	<u>Tons exported</u>		
			nil	
1939	2384	19		
1940	3965	27		
1941	3941	35		

add 350 unknown
Quantities taken
from Dangla area &
Mekka = S.M.H.



IMPORT OF CEREALS.

Month.	1938 Tons.	1939 Tons.	1940 Tons.	1941 Tons.
January.....	386.....	231.....	194.....	71
February.....	190.....	246.....	216.....	73
March.....	196.....	292.....	228.....	227
April.....	161.....	355.....	240.....	188
May.....	277.....	307.....	405.....	515
June.....	403.....	381.....	531.....	421
July.....	342.....	285.....	1178.....	575
August.....	223.....	163.....	799.....	437
September.....	307.....	29.....	105.....	137
October.....	89.....	27.....	15.....	7
November.....	52.....	68.....	16.....	220
December.....	243.....	188.....	128.....	1070
TOTALS	3769	2572	4055	3941

No. stocks needed on 18/12/41 = 180 tons

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3/3/42



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School of DMS,
Khartoum.



27. 4. 42.

Dear Lawrence,

Two cadets, el Tayeb el Tahir and Qhd. Nourah Yassin, are being sent to Geneva for military training in July - Powers will have written you regarding dates, etc. I am writing you a private note about the pair as they are both difficult characters.

Unless Qhd. Nourah Yassin changes his ways, I would regard him practically as a most dangerous type of person to become a man. He is the worst type of Baboon, clever, very anti-British and of low moral character. Academically he comes out one of the best in the class but on every possible occasion attacks British rule, British policy, British integrity, etc. Recently he wrote a most ill considered essay on the British in India and in his last essay for Powers expressed the view that there could be no Sudanese papers so long as the British continued to shew this complete ^{a party} mistreatment of the nation. He got some notoriety in being ~~suspected~~ in a buggery case before he joined the section and is now involved in a forgery case. If this goes against him, you won't see him in Geneva! You know the lines on which they were instructed on the Anti-Social Tradition last year - and this year. But I wonder how far it has had an effect on Qhd. Nourah. What I should like to know is how far he expresses his views to the less enlightened of his brethren. As a student



he is free to talk with any other member of the community
but as a cadet under training in a military his views must
be curbed, and he has been told so. It is at this
point particularly I would ask you help. If you hear
that he has been propagating his views in Reserve or
the neighbourhood, I should be very grateful if you would
let me know.

El Tayeb el Tahis is a likeable character, but rather
young and weak. He is a friend of Abd. Novali and
inclined to be his mouthpiece. If El Tayeb overcomes
his immaturity, I think he may become quite a
useful government servant. I am not anxious that
he should be too much under the influence of
Abd. Novali so if it is possible to separate him in
this military training, I should be very grateful.

Sorry to be such a nuisance but you will
agree that these few of training are very important
and may save trouble later on. Thank goodness
Abd. Novali is the only one (or two) of his kind
in the class of '12.

We are off to Egypt on the 5th and then I
come back to join the distinguished band of
D.C. Officers Province at Shendi. We were very
sorry not to be able to put you up in Khartoum
but we are handing over the house to our tenants
on the 4th. If Mr. Do come and stay with us again.
Leave to Duran - you are for afternoon - 797/4/32

Ed Damer, 8th July 1942

Dear Lawrence

This is No.2 of today. I had just finished typing you a letter and sealed it up when yours arrived in the office. I hope Nada's family is alright and that he has news of them. I think that things are quieting down a lot.

I think that the wheat purchase has been a tremendous success and you and Laing and all the others get the full marks. I am writing a separate letter to Eubeir to congratulate him and his fellow workers. It is good news about the 'Rabie' cultivation and the state of the animals. If only we could make this 'Rabie' cultivation a custom & we should never have to think again of importing cotton seed at great price. I agree about the Seifi crop but we must have some guess any way at the end of this month.

Will you send me sometime the total arrivals of grain from outside for my files. All I want is the total of each month.

Abdalla Eff Hassan Hussein went to Merowe to set out your scheme of patrols and Scouts. It was never intended that the Mudiria should send you any instructions at all. He went specially to give them to you. If there is any mistake it was of his making.

Ref. The two Mamours Cadets: I am taking up this with Khartoum.

Ref. the Intermediate School Master: We wrote to the Education Depart on June the 19th and never got an answer. I have just sent a reminder.

Thank you for giving up Soufi. The Province have given up 3 : one from the Mudiria, one from Atbara and one from you. We can in no way afford them but the S.D.F. is up against it and I felt we had to play the game. I wonder if any other Province has done the same. I think your idea about Dreen is a good one and I will certainly take it up in Khartoum.

It is good that the cultivation is so satisfactory. The great idea now is to protect it from locusts. Do not hesitate to send out police to ensure that heaps of manure or other smoke materials is ready for them, if they come. A lot can be done to save the sagias by such small means.

Thank you for your note about your visitors scheme. He has not yet put an appearance in Ed Damer.

L.M. Buchanan, Esq.
D.C. Merowe/Dongola

Bell



Babkh - Reta

December 26th 1842

Dear Buchanan.

I'm afraid your A+ candidate
for the Berual Intendish (Sidi Abu el Shukr
Barki) did very badly and it would have
been quite hopeless to take him. (57 marks out of 200).

I am more sorry about another of you
candidate - Dieni Satti of Esled, who did
very well indeed, but is really too old for
a 1st year Intendish. We have felt we
ought to take some of the remote Darfur
& Kordofan old boys, but that Northern
Province can find young ones. We can't take
more than a certain proportion of such boys
or it upsets our school. I hope you
understand the situation - though you may
feel meagre about this particular
case.

All the best & a very happy
Christmas
797/4/92
Yours - just



Merowe, Dec. 28th. 1942.

Dear

This is to introduce Sh. Ahmed Said, President of the Debba (Fung) branch area of Merowe District.

He has a boy named Mirghani in the Coptic College whom he is anxious to have admitted into the Higher Schools (preferably Shambat)

I am told boys from this college may be entered provided they pass the normal competitive entrance examination.

I should be grateful if you could explain to the Father what steps he should take. This is a private matter and I am not suggesting the boy should be given any preference on Administrative grounds.

Yours sincerely.

G. C. Scott Esq



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Merowe, Dec. 28th. 1943.

Dear

This is to introduce Sh. Ahmed Said, President of the Deba area of Merowe district.

In 1932 Mayne operated on him for piles and again treated him in 1940 with injections. He is still having trouble and has to lead an active life.

I should be grateful for anything you can do.

Yours sincerely,

F. Bartholomew Esq.



797/4/95



Khartoum 31. 12. 42

Dear Lawrence. Eric showed me your letter about Khema, on my return from Port Sudan. I agree with all you say in it. I saw Colclough yesterday & told him 'No Khema, no wheat', I tried to tell him all the difficulties. He has sympathetic but I could not get a straight answer out of him. I hope for one in the next few days. The truth is that the Khema situation is really serious. The crop was a very bad one. There is plenty of Khema but it is not coming out. None can say for certain what some say that the big merchants are at the back.

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Others say that trans port charges from
field to rail way are so heavy that
none can afford to sell at the
controlled market price. Others think the
farmers in the Ahura belt have so
much cash that they just do not want
to see the Ahura. Another lack of
govt taking over the whole Ahura
area & distribution.



I have some hopes that we shall be able to
get some from Gedaref. In this meantime
I am afraid that you & your fellows must
make some efforts to get some from
the Gabra. The same that you are counting
in some three thousand tons from them in
any case. Shendi, Beira & Albara are

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Getting Ready Supplies from the Padua.
Gov. Mechulah tells me that Supplies are
actually being built up in the three towns
- but no tenders are being received to
any Port Contracts. It seems to me that if
you are a dealer & have a brother or Cousin
in the same trade in the B.A.P. you can
get the stuff.

I am sure that this is so unsatisfactory
for you. We shall have better news
in a couple of days.

Happy New Year to you both

Bill



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SUDAN GOVERNMENT.

حكومة السودان

I am instructed by His Excellency the Governor-General to acknowledge with thanks your offer to volunteer for emergency service in the event of war.

للفي حضرة صاحب المعالي الحاكم العام ان اخبركم مع
الشكر بالسلام طلبكم الذي تعرضون فيه ان تطوعوا الخدمة
العازلة لوقت الحرب

Your name has been registered and if your services are required you will receive a notification in due course as to the work which you will be requested to undertake.

وقد سجل اسمكم ومتى احتاج الامر لخدماتكم سيمك

اعلان في الوقت المناسب عن العمل الذي يسعدهم

Governor of Province,

مدير المديرية

Easter Day,
Khartoum.

11.1.43

Dear Buamanan

You will of Dae doth about Sh.

Amad Saïd's son was brought to me by the
gov himself, Mirkhani, since his father was ill.

The qualification laid down for entry into any
of our Higher Schools is "the Cambridge School Assistant,
or its equivalent".

Mirkhani has completed the Lycée from Secondary
(Egyptian syllabus), which is considered as nothing
equal (actually, I think, much lower) than Lycée
from Gordon College. * He could now enter for the
Cambridge SC next December but this would be
very difficult for him; I don't think he could do it.
~~RESEND~~ and would GC has, I know, no room
for extra pupils in his 1943 school last known.
The better course for him would be to take on
Egyptian 6th year secondary. Successful completion
of this gives entry into Cairo University, and would
necessarily be considered as the "equivalent" of the

* Back home from Cambridge S.C.



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Cambridge School last for the purposes of enrolling into
Sudan High Schools. He cannot however
take this course in the Sudan, but would have
to do so in an Egyptian School. There can be
an analogy for our Egyptian Secondary has not
yet been officially recognized as the Cambridge S.C.
equivalent, but is one of the many decisions pending
decision by the (as yet informal) governing body.

Perhaps the matter will be decided before the
summer (I hope so). If ~~the~~ ^{the} Ministry could start
the 5 or 6 year course next autumn (to start about
it will do no harm, & as term begins then, not
at the beginning of the year.)

I tried to explain this to Dr. ~~for~~ ^{for} his son very
by a get hold of his father & the theory is
unatisfactory. I am afraid. The theory is
that our post-secondary education is in such
a very embryo stage that one can't tell for
what is an arm & what a leg, & whether the
child himself will be a sailor or a dolphin. So,
many people are not entitled for which will you ask
me before this case again in about 5 years!
all the best,

Yours,

Q.S.A.E.

Babkh in Rude

Famuy 12-1943

Dear Buchanan,

My defense (and attack!) is -

1. Dinan Satti - His name was (a) only added after the lists had been made out and (b), was put as UNCLASSIFIED - i.e. no special consideration there given to him. Even if we accept his present age as 14, he is old for the Intermediate School & therefore only acceptable if classified as an A+ or A or strong B. This Intermediate School takes as many old boys for special reasons that its entries into the Gordon College are very low. This is affecting its reputation and we have two cases this year (one is from Mervon) of fathers wanting to transfer their boys to another Inter School. The supposed reason is that they think the boy has a better chance in other P.S.s.

2. Babkh - Rude only - (1) Omar Suliman Ali Karay - did quite well in the only exam but not nearly so well as quite a large number of other boys. I have accepted him now (as you know from the telegram) but I cannot understand why he should be pressed on administrative grounds. We already have his brother in the Intermediate School and it is surely not still necessary in the Northern Province for elementary teachers to be drawn from under families. I can understand the necessity for this among the Hima or some other backward tribe where confidence is not yet established in education but not in Northern Province. Karay got 24 marks less than the boy I first wired for ($\frac{121}{200} - \frac{145}{200}$!).

(2) As regards not taking boys for Golod, we

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- 10 - Hassan Abd Hashim : Teaching is good.
Intelligent ; takes active part in discussion.
Vivid.
- 11 - Wad Easa Ziyada : Teaching is very good. Patient.
Intelligent but does not take active part in discussion.
- 12 - Mohd Ahmed Badr : Not intelligent - Keen but
rather slow in understanding.
Teaching is satisfactory but should put life in
his lesson.
- 13 - Bashir Ali el Sharji : Manner of teaching small
boys not pleasant. Should vary his work & should
try to put life in it. Should also develop the roving
eye.
- 14 - Ahmed Amin Takmi : Teaching is good -
but St. Noisy - Should vary his work.
- 15 - Siddig Mohajir : Willing but not intelligent.
Teaching is fairly good but a bit slow.
- 16 - Ibrahim Muhammad : Good. Takes trouble in
explaining to the boys. Should develop the roving eye.
- 17 - Ahmed Ibrahim Saad : Fairly good. A bit
slow in questioning. His discipline is not good.
- 18 - Omer Khalid Easa : Average. Discipline is not good.
Does not take part in discussion.

6/12/41